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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY: SUBMISSION OF SUBSTITUTE DRAWINGS TO CORRECT INFORMALITIES UNDER 37 CFR § 1.85

I. Status of Application

This paper responds to a Notice of Incomplete Reply, which was mailed on December 12, 2001. According to the Notice, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office received Applicants' response to a prior Notice to File Missing Parts on November 14, 2001. Applicants' response, however, did not include substitute drawings having margins that conform to 37 CFR § 1.84(g).

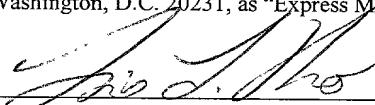
II. Submission of Corrected Drawings

In response to the Notice of Incomplete Reply, Applicants enclose copies of three (3) corrected drawing sheets showing FIG. 1—FIG. 10. The enclosed drawings are photocopies

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.10

I hereby certify that, on the date shown below, this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service in an envelope addressed to Box Missing Parts, Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee," Mailing Label No. ET579512550US.

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of drawing sheets that were originally filed with the specification and claims. The enclosed photocopies have been reduced to conform to the margin requirements set forth in 37 CFR § 1.84(g), but are otherwise identical to the originally filed drawings.

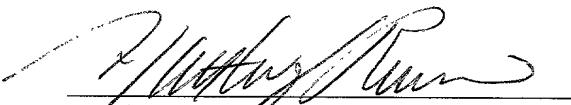
III. Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time

The Notice to File Missing Parts was mailed on October 2, 2001 and set a two-month period for reply, making any response due by December 2, 2001. In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.136, Applicants may respond up to six months after the mailing date of the Notice upon the filing of a petition for an extension of time and submission of a fee in an amount set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17(a).

Applicants are filing this response on December 28, 2001, which is within the first month following the expiration of the two-month period for reply. Therefore, Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136. Please charge Deposit Account No. 18-0013 the sum of \$110.00, which is the requisite fee set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17(a). A duplicate of this paper is attached.

If any additional fees are required in connection with the filing of this paper, please charge account number 18-0013.

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NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

Filing Date Granted

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 11/14/2001 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 10/02/2001 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:

- drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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